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November features license plates honoring members of the armed services

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) and the (<u>COUNTY NAME</u>) County tax assessor-collector's office are featuring specialty license plates that honor members of the United States Armed Services and surviving family members during the month of November, in observance of Veteran's Day.

The following armed services license plates are available to those who qualify and may also be viewed at http://www.dot.state.tx.us/vtr/spplates/allplates.htm.

- a Airborne Parachutists*
- Armed Forces Reserve
- Congressional Medal of Honor
- Desert Storm Veteran
- Disabled Veteran
- Distinguished Flying Cross Medal
- Enduring Freedom Veterans*
- Former Prisoner of War
- Gold Star Mother
- Korean Veterans
- Legion of Valor
- Marine Corps League
- Operation Iraqi Freedom*
- * Motorcycle plates available also

- Pearl Harbor Survivor
- » Purple Heart Recipient
- Texas Guard
- Texas Wing Civil Air Patrol
- U.S. Air Force
- **U.S.** Army
- **U.S.** Coast Guard
- <u>U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary</u>
- **U.S.** Marine Corps
- J.S. Navy
- Vietnam Veterans*
- World War II Veterans

"These specialty plates are a reminder of our history," said <u>NAME</u>), tax assessor-collector for (<u>COUNTY NAME</u>) County.

TxDOT can help qualified veterans display these license plates on their vehicles. Information about eligibility requirements and applicable fees are available at county tax offices, on TxDOT's web site (www.dot.state.tx.us), by calling the TxDOT Help Desk at (512) 465-7611, or TxDOT's Fax-On-Demand forms line at (888) 232-7033. Customers requesting orders for specialty license plates through the fax service should enter the code 0999 to receive the form for the license plate they are ordering.

TxDOT started its specialty license plate program in 1965. Today, there is a wide variety of different plate designs, many of them benefiting a particular group, organization, college or university. Since 1994, more than \$10 million has been raised for sponsoring organizations, colleges or universities.